

## The State of New Hampshire

## Department of Environmental Services



Michael P. Nolin Commissioner

February 23, 2005

**LETTER OF DEFICIENCY #WSEB 05-024** Certified Mail #7099 3400 0003 0689 4259

Charles Toutant Hilltop Campground 247 South Road Sullivan NH 03445

Subject: Sullivan - Public Water System: Hilltop Campground (EPA #2267020)

Dear Mr. Toutant:

The records of the NH Department of Environmental Services (DES) show that Hilltop Campground water system is classified as a public water system (PWS), as defined by RSA 485:1-a. A PWS is defined as any water system supplying 15 or more services, or 25 or more people for 60 or more days per year. As such, the water system owner is required to submit chemical samples according to the system's established sampling schedule to the State laboratory or a State-certified laboratory in compliance with NH Administrative Rule Env-Ws 326. Pursuant to Env-Ws 351, the failure to submit a chemical sample requires that public notice of such failure be given to all consumers.

DES records show that the subject water system failed to submit the following chemical sample result for the following monitoring period (calendar quarter).

## Quarter 3 2004 - Nitrate

As a result of the failure to submit the above-described sample, a Notice of Violation (NOV), dated **November 30, 2004**, was sent to you (copy enclosed). The NOV requested that you immediately submit the above-described sample as a <u>make-up sample</u>. To date, DES has not received the make-up sample result, thus placing the water system in violation of Env-Ws 326. The failure to sample became a Federal Violation in addition to a State Violation as of January 1, 2005.

DES believes the monitoring/reporting deficiencies can be addressed by taking the following actions:

1. **By May 16, 2005**, submit the Nitrate sample as a "make-up sample" to the State laboratory or a State-certified laboratory. Please use the enclosed analysis result form when submitting the sample to your laboratory.

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2. **By May 16, 2005,** provide proof of public notice to DES for the failure to submit a Quarter 3 2004 Nitrate sample, as specified on the enclosed form.

In the event compliance is not achieved within this period, DES may take further enforcement action. These actions include issuing an order requiring the deficiencies to be corrected, initiating an administrative fine proceeding, and/or referring the matter to the NH Department of Justice for imposition of appropriate penalties.

Please note that submission of the 2004 Nitrate "make-up sample" does NOT relieve you of your obligation to submit a 2005 Nitrate sample during the Third Quarter (July to September).

The proof of public notice as requested above should be addressed as follows or faxed to (603) 271-5171:

Kelley Kugel
Department of Environmental Services
Water Supply Engineering Bureau
29 Hazen Drive, PO Box 95
Concord, NH 03302-0095

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Kelley Kugel at (603) 271-6703 or by email at *kkugel@des.state.nh.us*.

Sincerely,

Sarah Pilisbury, P.G., Administrator Water Supply Engineering Bureau

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Encls: Notice of Violation, dated November 30, 2004

Analysis Request Form Public Notice Form

cc: Gretchen Hamel, DES Legal Unit Administrator (w/o encl.)

Priscilla Hardy, Sullivan Health Officer (w/o encl.)

EPA, Region 1 (w/o encl.)

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